

MOST VITAL ISSUE TODAY BEFORE U. S.

In Energetic, Even Fiery Message, He Insists on Immediate Action

Washington, D. C., Nov. 21.—In a fighting message President Harding today dared the foes of the administration's ship subsidy bill to assume the responsibility for defeating it, declaring that no proposition placed before congress ever met "more resolute hostility."

Gives Message to It

The president, in a message delivered in person in the extra-ordinary session of congress, challenged his opponents to meet the issue fairly. The president devoted practically all of his message to vigorous advocacy of subsidies, mentioning only one other national problem, additional relief for agriculture. This and other questions will be dealt with in his message to the regular session which meets December 4.

"This problem can no longer be ignored, its attempted solution can no longer be postponed. Failure of congress to act, will be no less disastrous than adverse action," he said.

Not For Favored Few

Carrying the fight to the enemy camp, Harding said he challenged "every insinuation of favored interests and enrichments of a special few at the expense of the public treasury. I am first of all appearing to save the treasury."

Throughout his speech the president argued that subsidies would save money to the treasury because of the large losses still being piled up by the shipping board. These were estimated at \$50,000,000 a year, while the president said the cost of subsidies would be half that amount. The executive made a fervent plea that America again be raised to a position of eminence among the maritime nations of the world.

Three Courses

Striking directly at the opposition to the measure, the president said one of three courses is open to congress. "The first is constructive. Enact the pending bill under which I firmly believe an American merchant marine privately owned and privately operated, but serving all the people and always available to the government in any emergency, may be established and maintained," he said.

"The second is obstructive. Continue governmental operation and attending governmental losses and discourage private enterprises by government competition under which losses are met by the public treasury, and witness continued losses and deterioration until colossal failure ends in sheer exhaustion.

"The third is destructive. It involves the sacrifice of our ships abroad and the scrapping of them at home, the surrender of our aspirations and the confession of our impotence to the world in general and our humiliation before the competing world in particular.

"A choice among the three is inevitable. It is unbelievable that the American people or the congress which expresses their power will consent to surrender and destruction. It is equally unbelievable that our people and the congress which translates their wishes into action will longer sustain a program of obstruction and attending losses to the treasury."

Mistaken Prejudice

Harding said the bill was not subsidy but "government aid, in the same sense as the government provides aid in building inland waterways and improving roads to aid in growth of commerce."

The president emphatically declared that since the government aids industries by tariff and reclamation, water power development, agriculture and marketing by other legislation, it should not hesitate to aid shipping. "But call it subsidy, since there are those who prefer to appeal to mistaken prejudice rather than make frank and logical arguments," he said.

Losses Constant

The president reviewed the situation briefly and graphically. Painting what he called a "gloomy picture of losses" he told how the merchant marine was built at the cost of \$3,000,000,000, how government operation when he took office was enrolling a loss of \$10,000,000 a month, how this loss has been cut to \$4,000,000 a month but how it keeps on and will keep on as long as the present method of operation lasts.

"It is not, therefore, a question of adding new burdens to the treasury and to the people, as the foes of subsidy assert," Harding declared. "It is now a question of cutting down the burden already borne. The administration would be unworthy if it knew of a way to save \$50,000,000 a year and did not fight for such economy."

Striking statements of President Harding in his vigorous advocacy of ship subsidy included:

"If the legislation fails then will come the supreme humiliation, the admission that the United States, our America, once eminent among the maritime nations of the world, is incapable of asserting itself in peaceful triumphs on the seas of the world."

"The blunt indisputable fact of the loss of \$50,000,000 a year under government operation remains."

"Thus far I have been urging government aid to American shipping, having in mind every interest of our producing population, whether of the mines, factory or farm, because expanding commerce is the foremost thought of every nation in the world today."

"There is no thought now to magnify the relation of the merchant marine to our national defense. It is enough to recall that we entered the world war almost wholly dependant on the allies for transportation by sea."

"In the simplest way I can say it, our immediate problem is not to build and support the merchant marine, which I hold to be one of the highest and most worthy aspirations of any great people. Our problem is to deal with what we possess."

"I am not asking your authorization of a new and added draft on the public treasury, I am appealing for a program to diminish the burden we are already bearing."

"The point is that our fleet, costing approximately \$3,000,000,000, is worth only a fraction of that cost today. Wherever that fraction may be, the truth remains that we have no market in which to sell the ships under our present policy and a program of surrender and sacrifice and liquidation, which is inevitable unless the pending legislation is sanctioned, will cost scores of millions more."

"Some of the costly lessons of war must be learned again and again but our shipping lesson of the world war was much too costly to be effaced from the memory of this or future generations."

"The maritime nations of the world are in complete accord with the opposition here to the pending measure."

ENGINE JUMPS TRACK

Accident at Nelson's Siding Delays Morning Passenger on Soo

West bound Soo line passenger train No. 1 was delayed two hours and twenty minutes this morning because of trouble at Nelson's Siding, just below Amherst, where a freight engine jumped the track.

The wrecking outfit was sent from this city and lifted the locomotive back onto the rails. No other damage was done.

Convenient to Business

A good place for a junk dealer's establishment would be almost any grade crossing.—Detroit Motor News.

He urged congress to forget political questions in dealing with the problem. He said, some members of congress had expressed fear that a vote for the subsidy would hurt them with their constituents. To them he appealed for "fortier statesmanship to support a policy designed to effect the larger good to the nation" rather than to "record the too hasty impressions of a constituency," he said.

Important to All

"Commercial supremacy for the United States is no less important to the people of Mississippi and the Missouri valley, the north west and to the rocky Mountain region, than to the seaboard states. When the people fail in the national viewpoint and live in the confines of community selfishness or narrowness, the sun of this republic will have passed its meridian and our larger aspirations will shrivel in approaching twilight," Harding said.

Whatever the view taken, "the blunt indisputable fact of the loss of \$50,000,000 a year under government operation remains," the president added. In addition to wiping out this loss, the subsidy bill, Harding declared, "would offer the only dependable promise of making our war time inheritance of ships the foundation of a great agency of commerce in peace and added guarantee of service whenever it is necessary to our national defense."

LARGE AMOUNT IS SUBSCRIBED BY NEENAH MAN

Hotel Company Gets Check of \$1,000 From C. A. Babcock, Paper Mill Head

C. A. Babcock of Neenah, president of the Wisconsin River Pulp & Paper company in the town of Plover and at the head of paper mill interests in his home city, has subscribed \$1,000 to the Stevens Point Hotel company. A check for this amount was received here Tuesday morning.

Credit to Oberweiser

The subscription from Mr. Babcock came as the result of personal solicitation on the part of E. A. Oberweiser, president of the hotel company. It is the second large fund of its kind received in this way, Mr. Oberweiser securing a \$25,000 stock subscription some time ago from George A. Whiting of Neenah. This prompted the board of directors of the company to name the new hotel after Mr. Whiting.

The check from Mr. Babcock has been turned into the company's treasury and like other funds received, will be used to assist in payments on the completion of the new building.

Contractors Nearly Done

Contractors at the Whiting are finishing up their work and the Immel Construction company of Fond du Lac which erected the hotel, is planning to turn it over to the hotel company next week. Shortly afterward the Mid-West Hotel company, the operating firm, will take direct charge. Manager J. M. Teeling is receiving furnishings and is prepared to install them as soon as the final work on the hotel is completed. The opening functions are now being planned for the dates of December 10 to 15.

PLAN PICNIC LUNCH AT UNION MEETING

Two Women Speakers at Presbyterian Church to Tell of Work in the Orient

A union meeting of the Methodist, Baptist and Presbyterian churches will be held at the Presbyterian church on Wednesday evening, where a picnic lunch will also be served. Baked beans and coffee will be furnished; it is announced.

The speakers for the evening are Mrs. E. C. Thompson of La Crosse and Miss Gertrude Dodd of Zellore, India. They will speak of the Women's Union Christiana colleges of the Orient.

A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend this gathering.

ONLY THREE MURDERS CHARGED TO WOMEN

They May Hang Them and Get Off Free for the Poisoning of Additional Husbands

Chicago, Nov. 21.—Mrs. Tilly Klimek and her cousin, Mrs. Nellie Sturmer, stood indicted today for the alleged poisoning of three men. Two bills returned by a grand jury charged the women jointly with murder and conspiring to murder two of Mrs. Klimek's late husbands and one of Mrs. Sturmer's.

Although the women are accused by investigators of having poisoned at least 17 others, including additional husbands, Assistant State's Attorney McGlaughlin said it probably would be unnecessary to vote any further indictments.

AVERAGE WISCONSIN WAGE IS NOW \$22.74 WEEKLY

Madison, Wis., Nov. 21.—Employment in Wisconsin increased in October over the mark of the previous month, the industrial commission reported today. The number of factory workers was one per cent greater.

Average weekly earnings in factories were \$22.74 in October, compared with \$22.15 in September. Since May, 1922, the cost of living has remained stationary according to the commission's statistics. It is 35 per cent above the July 1914 mark.

ORCHESTRA LEADER HERE NOW PLAYS IN MILWAUKEE

George L. Hansmann, formerly of this city and manager of a dance orchestra which played engagements here this summer, is now a resident of Milwaukee, where he is a violinist in the Badger room orchestra at the Hotel Wisconsin.

The New Sensational Tonsorial Artist



Plunges Down Cut Car is Undamaged Occupants Unhurt

A narrow escape from serious injury and perhaps death was experienced by several occupants of a touring car including women and children, at the bridge over the Soo line railroad tracks at Amherst Junction, Saturday evening.

The car driven off the road when it met another machine crossing the bridge toward Amherst Junction, tore through a barbed wire fence at the Amherst Junction side, and plunged headlong down the side of the 25-foot cut.

The screams of the women and children could be heard as the car went down, but the machine remained upright, and was not damaged in its swift drop. The car was driven 50 rods east on the Soo right of way to a farmer's lane leading back to the main road, where it continued on its way. The names of the occupants were not learned.

The car was the second to plunge down the Amherst Junction embankment this season. Occupants of the first one, however, failed to fare as fortunately as did those Saturday night. Four Ogdensburg people, two young couples, were buried headlong into the cut when they missed the sharp curve in the road on a summer night. The young men escaped injuries but the girls were in the hospital here for many weeks.

OF 20 NATIONS OWING ONLY SEVEN TALK PAY

Thirteen Borrowers From Uncle Sam Ignore His Polite Invitation to Talk Terms

(Copyright 1922, United Press) Washington, Nov. 21.—America's chances for obtaining quick action this winter on refunding of debts owed her by foreign countries aggregating over \$11,000,000,000 appeared dimmer here today as inquiry revealed few countries have made any actual move toward establishing contact with the debt refunding commission.

Of 20 nations, beneficiaries of the American treasury during war years, only seven, according to records of the commission, have made overtures looking toward refunding negotiations. These are: England, France, Belgium, Jugoslavia, Roumania, Italy and Poland.

GRANTS AMERICAN PLANE

LAYS IN SOUTH AMERICA Georgetown, British Guiana, Nov. 21.—The Sampson Corbett No. 2, flying from New York enroute to Rio Janeiro with Lieutenant Walter Hinton and an American crew, reached the South American continent late yesterday. It landed at the mouth of the Essequibo river.

SENATOR REBECCA SWORN IN FOR DAY

Aged Woman Takes Oath of Office and Will Sit For One Day in the Federal Senate

Washington, Nov. 21.—Mrs. Rebecca Felton, the first woman senator in history, was sworn in as a member of the upper house of congress today.

Mrs. Felton then rose to her feet in the rear of the chamber, and accompanied by Senator Harris of Georgia, walked up to the vice president's desk. She raised her right hand and the acting president of the senate administered the oath for the first time to a woman. There was no objection raised to her admission, as Senator George, who could have claimed the seat by presenting his credentials, was absent.

After adopting a resolution out of respect to the memory of the late Representative Connell, Pa., and Nolan of California, the senate as a further mark of respect adjourned early this afternoon.

College Presidents Deny Edison Claim Students Are Lazy

(Copyright 1922, United Press) New York, Nov. 21.—Educators all over the United States are taking issue with Thomas A. Edison who in an interview with the Daily Princetonian said college men are afraid of work, especially dirty work.

The celebrated inventor's criticism of college men has stirred up almost as much excitement as his famous questionnaire.

Edison, it was stated at his office, has no intention of amplifying or explaining his remark despite counter attacks from colleges.

Milwaukee—Rev. C. A. Fox, president of Marquette university, declared Edison's statements were sweeping assertions which could not be substantiated. "The men are in college because they possess the very qualifications Mr. Edison denies they have," he said.

Chicago—L. C. Flickinger, dean of the school of liberal arts, Northwestern university, said: "I think the average college or university fellow is willing to start at the bottom but he doesn't want to stay there long. He wants to get experience and then expects to be promoted."

Atlanta, Ga.—"Edison's denunciation is evidently the result of observation of men who are not really representative. Approximately nine-tenths of the responsible positions in the business world are held by college graduates," said Dr. M. L. Britton, president of Georgia Tech.

Kansas City, Mo.—Professor L. N. Flint, Kansas university, said: "Eighty per cent of our men work their way through school so they don't have time to get out of the habit."

Normal Instructors Make Whirlwind Trip And Bring Home Deer

Normal professors from this city showed sportsmen in northern Wisconsin how to hunt deer over the past week end. Two instructors, accompanied by a young man student, made a flying trip to a northern point 100 miles from home, bagged a deer after spending but three hours in the woods, and then returned to the city without missing any of their school work.

Members of the party were Prof. V. E. Thompson and C. V. LaDuke, and Dee Whitmer, a Normal student. They made the trip in the Thompson car, going to Springstead resort, Whitmer's home, located in Price county 160 miles from Stevens Point, and on Saturday morning entered the woods in Iron county, which adjoins Price on its northern boundary.

A buck rose up before the hunter, and the honor of killing it went to Professor LaDuke. The animal weighed nearly 150 pounds. The hunters were unsuccessful in bagging deer for the other two members of the party. The men were gone only a little more than 48 hours.

It is said that other hunters in the vicinity who had been in the woods since the opening of the season were not as successful as the Stevens Point party.

WEBERS BAND FAIR WILL OPEN TONIGHT

Musicians Ready for Annual Attraction at New Building on Union Street

Weber's annual band fair opens this evening at 7:30 o'clock in the new building on Union street a block and a half from the post office. The opening will be preceded by a short concert at the post office.

The band boys have everything in readiness for their fair and promise plenty of activity. Nearly 300 turkeys, as well as big shipments of ducks and geese have been received for prizes to patrons. A \$20 gold piece will be awarded on Friday evening to the holder of the winning door ticket, and other prizes of wearing apparel have also been donated by local business men.

The band fair continues on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday nights concluding on the latter evening.

EIGHT HUNTERS HOME

SEVEN BRING VENISON Eight local men, comprising the So line Hunting club, returned Sunday from their camp north of Phillips. All but the exception of one man, were successful in their hunt for deer. C. M. Turhill, one of the party, brought home a 150-pound buck, the largest deer killed.

MORNING BLAZE DESTROYS FEED MILL AT ROSHOLT

Village Hall Next Door is Threatened When Engine Fails to Work

Flames Monday morning gutted and burned to the ground the feed mill of M. C. Colrud at Rosholt village, entailing a loss estimated at \$5,000. Only a small amount of insurance was carried by the owner.

Failure of the gasoline engine, the village fire fighting apparatus, to function until 30 minutes after the blaze broke out, made it impossible to save the mill, which was then a mass of flames. This equipment is located in the village hall which adjoins the site of the destroyed mill and the fire department itself was threatened for a time.

Unable to Save Mill

Volunteers who rushed to the scene could do little in their efforts to curb the fire and confined their work to protecting nearby buildings while a crew of men worked over the village fire equipment in attempting to make it work. When the engine was finally put in working order and water was pumped from the creek nearby it failed to check the blaze. The mill was burned to the ground.

Grain and Flour

Besides the loss of the building, Mr. Colrud lost a carload of rye, one of oats and several cars of feed and flour. The only things it was possible to save were the books from the office of the mill. The rest of the office equipment was destroyed by the flames.

The blaze originated in the engine room of the structure when an engine in use there back-fired. This ignited grease and oil near the engine, causing the flames to spread rapidly throughout the building. The mill was located near the business district of the village, just off the main business street.

Other Building in Danger

Besides threatening the village hall, the fire also threatened the blacksmith shop of Emil Formella for a time. This is located just across the street from the site of the mill. Both the hall and blacksmith shop were saved, however. The fire started at 8:30 o'clock and the mill burned furiously for two hours. The mill was an old structure and had been in use at Rosholt for many years. Besides handling flour and feed, it was used for grinding grain.

MENS CLUB MEMBERS HEAR WAUSAU PASTOR

Rev. Arthur F. Perkins is Speaker at Presbyterian Church Monday Evening

Rev. Arthur F. Perkins, assistant pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Wausau, was the speaker at a meeting of the Men's Brotherhood of the local Presbyterian church following a dinner served in the church parlors Monday evening. His subject was "The Power of God" and he told of his personal experiences before and after entering the ministry.

Sixty members of the club attended the dinner and all stayed to hear the address. Fifteen Boy Scouts of the church were also present as the invited guests of the club. Community singing was participated in during an intermission following the meal, and a short business session was also held.

MARTIN WHOLE ORCHESTRA IN MILWAUKEE THEATRE

Former Local Man is Pictured Seated at \$10,000 Orchestral Organ

Under the caption, "One Man is Complete Orchestra at Regent Theatre," the North Avenue Progress, a Milwaukee publication, contains a picture and accompanying story of Cletus E. Martin, until recently the organist at the Lyric theatre here. The story includes the following: "Cletus E. Martin, one man orchestra, is shown in the above picture seated at the key board of the new \$10,000 orchestral organ at the Regent theatre. He is the organist engaged by Fred C. Seeger, proprietor of the theatre, to operate the instrument, which combines all the possibilities of a church organ with the music of the various instruments of an orchestra, and the imitation effects that are used to illustrate the events as they are portrayed on the screen."

Bonding For Highways Amicably Discussed at Forum Gathering

Those Injured?
D. W. Sawyer of Belmont said: "What are you going to do with the 90 per cent of the population of the county who do not live near the main trunk roads?" Secretary Chase re-

Enterprising business men in New Brunswick, N. J., have seen the advertising possibilities in the Hall murder. Here are specimens of signs erected for the double purpose of guiding morbid visitors and securing publicity.

O-ratory Analyzed.
What orators lack, in depth they make up in length--Monte quieu.

affairs given during the summer and fall months by the ladies of the lodge, and Mrs. Springer, a former resident of that district, is a member. Several other local women who were formerly residents in the southern part of the county, although not members of the lodge, were invited to the gathering. Nearly 50 women were present.

Dewey Couple Married
John Zielinski and Miss Marie Lignar, both of Dewey, were married at St. Casimir's church, Hull, at 9 o'clock Monday morning. Rev. John Gruna officiating. The attendants were John Lignar and Miss Cath-

Jack McCormick went to Gills Landing today and expects to get his full quota of ducks before returning home later in the week.

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